

I am writing to you in support of LPFM stations. We currently have two LPFM stations in Asheville, NC. I have been involved with one of the stations and I have had the opportunity to learn radio broadcasting engineering, organizational skills, leadership skills, people skills, and I have connected with my community in a way that I hadn't before. We are building a station that empowers people and allows them to be valuable community members. I envision shows for young adults where they produce and write their programs. We also are looking for locally produced programming that will educate and inspire people.

This sort of locally produced programming does not exist anywhere else in our community. If it were not for LPFM we would be subject to the kind of programming that is dictated by corporations, trying to sell us goods, rather than programming "by the people and for the people"; and isn't that what the USA stands for? It's what makes us great. Please continue to support the opening of new LPFM stations.